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WILLIAM FERGUSON

Paternal Great Grandfather of John A. Simeral

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THE EARLY PIONEERS

All praise to him who hoists a sail on seas erstwhile unknown
To him who dares to make a trail through forests deep and lone,
To him who dares to dream and think, to speak, and dare and do,
While others tremble on the brink, afraid of conquests new.
Thank God for him who lives upon far frontiers of thought,
Who is the first to see the dawn on mountains caught,
For him who dares to make a way through prejudice and fear,
On to the new and better days the sturdy Pioneer.
I love the man of nerve, who dares to do, the moral Hero, stalwart through and through
Who treads the untried path, evades the rut, and in a forest clearing builds a hut.
Removes the tares encumbering the soil and founds an empire
Based on thought and toil.
With wants but few, no pioneer will crave a crown in life, nor flowers on his grave.
He leaves behind the slavery of style, the myrmadom of pride, deceit and guile
Enlisting with the cohorts of the free, the motto on his shield is Liberty.
And well they may; to them alone is due the march of progress since the world was new.

To that early Christian Pioneer, Wm. Ferguson and Allied Families this Book is Dedicated by its author and compiler E. V. Smith.

The compiler wishes to thank all those who in any way have given their loyal help and support in making this book possible and it is my earnest desire that for future generations to come, it may be kept up to date and reprinted as new generations come and older ones go, keeping intact the information herein contained.

Ferguson Clan of Scotland

Badge--Rosna Greine, Little Sunflower or Lusoram Bansaith Foxglove

The ancient home of this clan was in Athol where they were reckoned an old clan before the time of Robert The Bruce. The chief was Baron Ferguson of Dumfallandia. They also held the half of the lands Strathardie and Glenshee in Perthshire.

The Fergusons were great supporters of Robert The Bruce and very curiously wherever he held lands, a branch of the clan settled. He was Lord of Lochmaben in Dumfrieshire. There we have the Fergusons of Craigdarroch, Lord of Carrick in Ayrshire; there we have Fergusons of Kilkerran VII. He was Lord of Kildrummie in Aberdeenshire; there we have the Fergusons of Kimmundie, Pitfour and Lord of Caedross in Perthshire and there we have the Fergusons of Balquidder.

The clan of Ferguson were among the gallant Athor men who followed the banners of Montrose in the civil wars and formed an original nucleus of the victorius Cavalier Army. They joined Viscount Dundees army immediately after Killecrankie and formed an important part of the fighting strength of the Dukedom of Athol and the Earldom of Strathardie. In 1745 the Athol and Strathardie Fergusons were out with Prince Charlie and the Lord of Dumfallandi. They were arrested in the June following the battle Culloden and imprisoned in the gloomy dungeons of Carlisle.

An important branch of the Fergusons has been settled in the Parish of Balquidder for over six centuries. It is difficult to say if they came originally from Athol for, not without question, Athol Fergusons are found here. It is generally believed that they were not the first of the clan to make the parish their home. The old parish records and tombstones in the churchyard show that the Fergusons were numerous in Balquidder many centuries ago and were ministered to by the famous Robert Kirk, the first to give the Highlanders a metrical translation of the Psalms in their own tongue.

The name Ferguson has long been noted in Aberdeenshire. They are to be found as land owners there as early as the fourteenth century. Among the best known families are those of Kimmundie and Pitfour, many of whom distinguished themselves on the bench and at the bar.

In Banfshire and Kinkardinshire as well as in Fife and Forfarnor is the clan confined to the East coast of Scotland. As several colonies of Fergusons are to be found a little over two centuries ago in Ayrshire in the Cowalt district, there are many old families of the name and in the churchyard of Strachur is to be found a little tombstone on the back of which is cut a well executed representation of the arms of the Hon. Fergusons of Kilkarron. It bears the date of 1774. The arms, crest, and motto as represented are the same as those of Sir Ian Ferguson, Bart of Kilkerran, Ayrshire.

Ferguson of Glenshilich was the head of the Strachur or Argylshire Fergusons. He held the office of the Sergeantry or Mairship of Strachur attached to those lands.

Daniel Ferguson, last of the family who held the estate married a daughter of Fletcher of Birnie and he died about 1805, the estate being sold in 1808.

Fergusons are fairly numerous in several parts of Argyll, in Ayrshire, and especially in Carrick. The Fergusons have long held possessions. The ancient house of Kilkerran claim descent from Fergus, son of Fergus who obtained a charter of lands in Ayrshire from Robert the first in 1466. Fergus Ferguson and his spouse Janetta Kennedy were infeft in the lands of Auchinsoul during the life time of her father and when in 1483 Fergus had to claim his heirship moveables, it throws an interesting light on the social customs of the times to

find that they consisted of 12 silver spoons, a pot of a Gallon, a ring of gold, a croce of gold, and a gray horse.

In Dumfries and in Galloway, the name Ferguson is one of great antiquity. The Ferguson of Craigdarroch are among the old families of Scotland.

In 1587 Ferguson of Craigdarroch, apparently the oldest of the line of the family, with Sir John Gordon of Lochinvar and others were summoned before council for having been in rebellion against the king and fined 3000 Merks.

In 1649 John Ferguson of Craigdarroch was Commissioner in Parliament for Dumfrieshire.

Annie Laurie, so famed in Scottish song of Maxwelton became the wife of Ferguson of Craigdarroch and their descendant, Robert Cultar Ferguson the accomplished scholar figures in Burns's well known poem, "The Whistle." Among the Craigdarroch papers will be found the will of Annie Laurie. The latter a brief holograph document in which she constitutes her husband sole legatee, and in which her name is written Anna.

One of the Lairds of Craigdarroch was slain in battle of Killekrankie. According to tradition, he lost his life owing to his servant making off with his horse. When the Lowland ranks broke before the fierce rush of the Highlanders, it is said that, "Toom hame came the saddle, but never hame came he." The widow with the hot spirit of her Pictish blood turned on the unfortunate groom and cursed him in these words, "May you and yours never see a horse again," and from that day to this, total blindness or a serious defect of eyesight has affected all his descendants.

Sir Adam Ferguson, third Bart, died in 1813 and was succeeded by his nephew James, fourth Bart, who died in 1838. He was succeeded by his son Charles fifth Bart, who died in 1849. He was succeeded by Sir James Ferguson, sixth Bart, G.C. S. S. K.C.M.G. who died in 1906, and was succeeded by his son Charles Eleventh Bart, D.S.O.

Around the year 1600, due to religious differences and persecutions and receiving no encouragement from their King, who at that time was a Roman Catholic worshipper, except as prescribed by their clergy was forbidden while the Scottish folk always followed the Protestant teachings of Charles Fox and other famous Martyrs of religious liberty of their times to cite the sufferings and fixed principles of our family of Pioneers for their Religious Liberty.

The Simerals, Fergusons, and Carrols left Scotland the latter part of the sixteenth, and the early part of the seventeenth centuries for the North of Ireland as many thousands of their fellow countrymen also did, settling mainly in County Antrim and three other North of Ireland counties from which the Irish had been driven by severe fighting. Before leaving Scotland, Alexander Simeral and twenty-five others called before the Scottish commissioners for Libel against the Roman Catholic Church.

No person not authorized by the Bishop could presume to preach or expound the Scriptures or pray in any meeting except in their own homes and with their own families. All who do shall be imprisoned and fined the sum of 300 herks and not to do likewise again or be expelled from the kingdom. Alexander Simeral and 25 having without regard to the duties they owe their Sacred Majesties, not only absented themselves from Divine worship since the twenty-fourth of March 1674, but presumed to preach and pray in the Bergh of Aberdeen, therefore, subject to fines and imprisonment. The afore mentioned persons, except Alexander Simeral and John King did personally appear and gave in reasons that said Acts of Parliament did not apply to them as they were of the Sect called Quakers but were made against Presbyterians and all received various sorts of punishment.

On October 31, 1671 twelve soldiers of the militia with two Messengers of the King went to Alexander Simerals home and took from his wife a quantity of pewter far beyond the value of his fine. On March 7, 1677 Alexander Simeral was again taken and confined in the higher prison. Again on September 23, 1677 Alexander Simeral was committed to prison.

The last Religious meeting of the people of Aberdeen from which they were carried to prison was held in November 1677. From this time on, their Religious assemblies were held in Aberdeen without molestations from the Magistrates, having absolutely proven the patience and constancy of their people in assembling to worship God could not be conquered. It was about this time that the Presbyterian Church was organized and John Knox openly proclaimed himself a Reformer, while the King began to establish the English Episcopal Church which led to bloody riots and civil war.

About 1690 the Reformed Presbyterian Church was organized as the State church of Scotland, as the Episcopal church is of England.

I would also add that the Somerviil of Scotland at that time, 1560 to 1690, had lost claim to the Estate of Wm. de Somerviil, eighth Lord of Barrone of Lintowne, and were prominent in the affairs of Scotland.

In Francis Simeral Riker's book, "Simerals of the South", we note the fact of Annie Laurie's marriage to Alexander Ferguson. In 1709, their oldest son Alexander became the hero of Bobie Burns's poem "The Whistle". Another son was born to them and named William who went to the North of Ireland and from there to America with the Simerals, Grahams, and Gilkinsons in 1720, but it is not conclusively proven our ancestor and this W. M. Ferguson is the same except by tradition.

In the early Simeral records we note a reference to the famed song of Annie Laurie being sung by the earliest Simerals and Fergusons in America as the favorite song of their grandmother in Scotland for whom it was written by her rejected suitor.

Tempted by the opportunities offered in Penn land where Wm. Penn had been given a large grant of land as payment of a debt owed to his father, Admiral Penn, by the King of England, a great number of Scottish people wishing still more religious freedom emigrated to America, landing at Chester Pa. Founded in 1685, it was here Wm. Penn first came and tarried a short time before laying-out the city of Philadelphia at a later date and our Wm. Ferguson, along with the Simerals, Grahams, and Gilkinsons, came to Chester in 1720 on the same sailing vessel. Purchasing a tract of land off the Penna in 1736 on Doe Run, Sadbury Township, Chester Co., Pa. where he had as their neighbor Alexander Simeral.

This Wm. Ferguson had two daughters of which we have a record. Sarah who married James Simeral, and Racheal, married to John Graham. That there were other children there is no doubt as there is a record of an estate of Wm. Ferguson, register of wills office, Chester Co., Pa. Letters of administration granted to his wife Mary, February 29, 1747; also a bond and an account of record but no information as to heirs; also the estates of Wm. and Mary Ferguson on which letters of administration were granted to Alexander Fleming, a son-in-law of Alexander Simeral and to John Graham, son-in-law of Wm. Ferguson on April 8, 1777. No information as to heirs. I find this to be true in a number of early records as the estates were settled privately and no returns made to the court.

This Wm. Ferguson and his neighbors carried along with them to their new abode their love of Church as well as home, for in 1724 the first Presbyterian Church in Pennsylvania was founded. Named from the creek on which it stands it is called the upper Octorra, having for its first regular Pastor, Reverand Adam Boyd of County Antrim Ireland and a graduate of the University of Glascow.

Serving as pastor for 44 years, he died on November 23, 1768 at the age of 96 years. It is known to be the burial place of Wm. Ferguson as well as of his neighbors and relatives.

In making a record of the Simeral family, Florence Simeral Riker pays this tribute to Sarah Ferguson. "In making record of those who have passed on to their everlasting glory, leaving their torch to guide us, a strange power of visualization seems to possess us. There is no one more outstanding than Sarah Ferguson Simeral. We believe her to be a woman of strong courage. Our love for the name William Ferguson, which has been handed down from son to son unto the seventh generation may account for the special feeling we have for Sarah Ferguson. A Revolutionary mother, she was bearing and rearing her children at a period when women as well as men were brave, going with her husband, James Simeral and five children to Kearnstown, Va., leaving behind her in Chester Co., Pa. the graves of other children and loved ones. Her husband died in his 58th year, at which time she left Virginia to take possession of lands in Shelby Co., Kentucky, where she died in 1814 in her 74th year. James Simeral and Sarah Ferguson were married in 1762 as recorded in the little black Bible, still in possession of Mr. John A. Simeral of Bellevue Pa., to whom I am very grateful for the splendid cooperation in supplying som of the early data of the various connecting families.

Records of Cumberland Co., now Franklin Co., Chambersburg, Pa. tax list of 1786 shows 1752 taxables among whom are the following:

William Ferguson, James, Samuel, and Matthew Ferguson, Joseph and Gilbert Graham, Daniel Fleming, John and Thomas Kinkead, William, Joseph, and Thomas Moorehead, and Thomas Ferguson. Being shown on the list of 1756-1796 taxables Matthew Ferguson: 181 acres of land, 1 log house, 3 horses, 3 cows; James Ferguson: 241 acres of land, 3 horses, 5 cows; William Ferguson: 2 horses, 3 cows.

William Ferguson and Captain Matthew Ferguson are shown as members of Rocky Springs. In 1780 this Presbyterian church organized in 1738 and ministered to by Rev. Samuel Craighead from 1768 to 1794. This church building of stone built in 1794 to replace an earlier log building is one of the best preserved in Pa. With the exception of 3 new roofs, the building is in much the same condition as in early pioneer days. Pew rental is shown as follows:

Thomas Ferguson, pew No. 4; annual rental, 1 pound, 12 s, 3 P. Pew No. 30, Captain Matthew Ferguson; No. 41, John Ferguson; No. 30, William Ferguson, and Samuel Liggett, Pew No. 47.

While the cemetry is the resting place of Hugh Ferguson, born 1760, died 1834; his wife Elizabeth, born 1756, died 1826. Middle Spring Presbyterian church near Shippensburg, Pa. 1781 subscribers to the old stone church give the following:

David Simeral, Martha Simeral and sister Rebecca. 1786 grave stone inscriptions are as follows:

John Ferguson, Born 1794 died 1862; Jennette Ferguson, born 1784 died 1862 William Ferguson, born 1828 died 1853.

The following are authentic Revolutionary War records as supplied by D.A.R.: James Ferguson, soldier of Cumberland Co., born in Antrim County, Ireland. Parents, James and Rachel Walker Ferguson settled in Cumberland Co. in 1750. He married Margery Denny. Children, James, Margery, John, Rachel and Craighead. He died in September 11, 1806, in Chillecothe, Ohio.

1798 member first of the council, John Ferguson Sr., member Captain Abrams Co. minute men, Matthew Ferguson born 1749. Fought in the battle of Brandywine and Germantown. Married Ann Chestnut. Children, John, James, William, Rachel, Catherine, Ann, Margaret, two other brothers James and William. William as

Captain of light artillery was taken prisoner in 1777. Bound brook N.J. exch. 1778. He was made Captain in 1780 and reinlisted in 1783. He was killed by Indians after St. Clair's defeat at Ft. Recovery, Ohio Jan. 1776. Col. Irvines Reg. muster rolls show Hugh Ferguson as privat Co. No. 4. Captain Wm. Rippey, Co. No. 8, April 1777. John Ferguson, Private 1779 Path Valley Co. Captain Noah Abrams Co. No. 8. John Ferguson, Private. William Ferguson and wife Sarah James Ferguson and wife Margaret all of Hamilton township. Sell to James Ferguson a certain James Hamilton got a warrant for a tract adj. James Ferguson and James Hamilton died in estate, leaving widow Margaret and son-in-law, Adam Carson. Adam Carson sold to James Ferguson. Said James died leaving Margaret married William Dickson, William married to Sarah Liggett and James married to Margery Denny, deed book B. p. 195. Will of Albert Torrance names sister Isabel married to John Ferguson. Daughter Elizabeth and son Hugh executives. John Ferguson Sr. and Hugh Ferguson.

Washington Co. Pa. Records and Pigeon Creek Church, Washington Co., Somerset Township. In the book Old Redstone, the first Presbytery organized West of the Allegheny Mountains, Pigeon Creek Church stands out boldly and Redstone Presbytery met here more often than at any other church. As its founding as the first Presbyterian Church in Washington Co. at that time a part of Augusta Co., Virginia, it truly can lay claim to the Pioneer church. It was supplied in its early days by traveling circuit riders, but in 1776, a call was extended to Rev. John McMillan to become its first regular Pastorate with a salary of 100 Lbs. per year, which he accepted, also becoming Pastor of Chartiers church, more familiarly known as Hill Church, which this year celebrates its 160th year of Christian work. Rev. McMillan had previously held pastorates both at Octorra and Rocky Spring Church and his personal diary which he kept of all his preaching travels contain many references to William Ferguson and his descendants such as stopping and enjoying their fellowship for the night, of baptisms of their children as well as reading the burial over their departed ones. Rev. McMillan continued as Pastor of Hill Church until his death at 82 years of age. Preaching the last years, supporting his worn body with the aid of two crutches this greatest of all Pioneers, outliving his splendid and faithful wife, burying his two daughters and husbands in a single grave, and founding the first college West of the Allegheny Mountains.

Jefferson at Canonsburg, Pa. merged in 1865 with Washington College at Washington, Pa. In order for the General assembly to avail itself of a bequest $50,000 made by Rev. Charles Beatty of Steubenville, Ohio, and while Rev. McMillan has long been sleeping in the Hill Churchyard, his name still lives on.

William Ferguson, born 1746 in Franklin Co., coming after his marriage to Sarah Liggett, to Williamsport now Monongahela, Pa., and first known as Parkinson Ferry. William bought lot No. 20 from James Parkinson who, with his father, operated a ferry at that point of crossing of the Monongahela River. Being one of the principal routes to Washington Co. by the way of the Forbes trail. William Ferguson purchased from Joseph Parkinson, Lot No. 20 on Washington Street, Williamsport, containing 1200 sq. ft., 66 ft., front, 200 ft. back, as shown by deed recorded April 9, 1798, volume I, P. 722, Washington Co. records, for the sum of $40.00 good and lawful money of the State of Penna. In consideration of the said William Ferguson, his heirs and assigns forever agree not to operate a ferry coal vessel or any other water carriage upon the river in, or near the said town of Williamsport for the use of conveying passengers or wagons across said river in consideration William Ferguson also agrees to pay to said Joseph Parkinson, his and assigns forever, the sum of $1 annual rental, the year to begin October 1st and such rental to be paid on, or before that date. In default of such payment, Joseph Parkinson shall have the right to enter upon said premises and seize any article of value, same to be sold to satisfy said claim. Witness---Sam Price, Dan Depue, J. P., Samuel Clarke, Recorder of Deeds. Said lot being part of original Patent in 1795 on record in

rolls office Philadelphia, Pa., book 28, page 294. Also we find a deed on record in Washington Co. where one Jacob Book conveyed March 30, 1798, volume I, page 680. 296 acres of land on Pigeon Creek. Said land being known as Devices adjoining land of Jacob Toward, George Myers, John Nicols, and John Hill. Patent Rolls office, Philadelphia, Pa., Patent book No. 6, page 132, for the sum of 888 Lbs lawful money of the State. David Hamilton Recorder, a man of fine personal appearance and more than ordinary intelligence and very religious in the Presbyterian faith. He served the congregation of Pigeon Creek as ruling elder for nearly 50 years and it was natural that three of his daughters should marry Presbyterian ministers. Martha married Rev. Nicholas Law. Isabelle married Rev. John Reed. Rachel married Rev. Samuel Ralston, D.D., one of the finest trustees of Washington College. Many wives of elders and Ministers are among their offspring. Sarah married Col. George McHenry. Florence married James McCauley. These two families moves west over 100 years age. Margaret married Joseph Hamilton. Matthew moved to Ohio in 1800. Benjamin moved to Springfield Ill. in 1830. William moved to Ohio in 1803. Robert and Samuel, with James making 12 children in all. William Ferguson in his later years returned to Williamsport and died there at the age of 87 years, his wife outliving him a few years and both were burried there in the Presbyterian burial ground which has been a public play-ground for the past 60 years. In the quiet and beautiful churchyard at Pigeon Creek, lie the remains of James Ferguson, born 1782 died 1828 at the age of 46 years. Robert, born 1769 died February 14, 1852 at the age of 83 years. Lydia, his wife, born 1771 died June 2, 1840 at the age of 69. Also the graves of his three small children Samuel died December 31, 1845, Oliver and daughter Mary. Robert being mentioned in early Williamsport history as a carpenter and boatbuilder of more than ordinary skill and many of the older buildings of the city testify to his thorough workmanship. Samuel was a member of Captain's house troop. In 1810 the company marched by way of East Liverpool, Ohio, spending the winter in camp at Lisbon, Ohio and the following spring marched to Sandusky, Ohio, thence to Toledo and on through to Detroit, taking part in many of the land engagements against the British and Indians being attached to General Anthony Waynes army.

In an early issue of the Williamsport register issue of January 25, 1813 we have the following:

Married January 23, 1813, Miss Margaret Peggy Ferguson to Joseph Hamilton, the Minister being Rev. Samuel Ralston, her brother-in-law and to this union eight children were born. Sarah, born October 24, 1813 died December 18, 1889. Married Henry Wilson. Two sons served through the Civil War. Nancy Jane, born March 11, 1816 married Nimrod A. Gregg, who died in Iowa leaving three children. Mrs. McCauley, Mrs. Beck Arron F, Margaret, born May 23, 1819, dying early in life. Harriet, born 1821 married T. R. Hazard, who died in 1887. William Ferguson, born March 23, 1824. A Presbyterian minister and one of the trustees of Washington College. David Ralston, born March 24, 1826. John, born Sept. 25, 1828. These two sons resided on the Ginger Hill farm their entire life and their descendants still own the beautiful country home which received its name during the Whiskey Rebellion in the following manner:

James Hamilton, father of Joseph, owning it at that time, and having refused to pay the tax imposed by our first President on all persons owning stills and making whiskey, a company of soldiers was sent to his home to arrest him and bring him to Williamsport for trial and treason against our Government.

Being a cold winter night when the soldiers arrived, Mr. Hamilton readily prevailed on their leader to not start back through the lonely forest so late at night and having dined and partaken of some of his excellant whiskey, they readily agreed. During the evening more whiskey was given the soldiers, liberaly doctored with Jamaica Ginger. Soon all were sleeping soundly and Mr. Hamilton's neighbors, hiding in the nearby woods came in and carried both still and whiskey to a safe hiding place, where it was safe from the eyes of the

searching soldiers who took with them on their return to Williamsport, Mr. Hamilton, later forcing him to walk the entire distance to Philadelphia for trial, where he was acquitted, returning to his home two years later. That Mr. Ferguson was one of these neighbors, there is no doubt for by early records of Daniel Depue, First Justice of Williamsport and of Elezear Jenkins, high Commissioner, where, on December 30, 1794 personally appeared William, Robert, and Samuel Ferguson, all of the Somerset Township, where the following oath was taken by each.

"I do solemnly swear in the presence of Almighty God and declare I will faithfully support the Constitution of the United States, obey all laws, and discontinue opposition thereto except by way of liberties and circumstance and discontinue all attempt to resist obstruct or ill-treat officers of the U.S. in the execution of their duties so help me God."

A full pardon being granted to all connected with the affair by President Washington. I might add this farm is still owned by the Hamilton descendants today.

Reverend Samuel Ralston, who married Rachel, the oldest daughter of Wm. and Sarah Ferguson was born in 1758 in Ireland; a graduate of the University of Glascow, Scotland and was licensed to preach and at an early age came to America. He had charge of Williamsport and Horseshoe churches, later in life becoming pastor of Mingo church where both he and his wife are buried. Their offspring being the following children: Matilda, married to James McVey of Mingo Creek; Sarah, married to Ben Williamson James Ferguson; Margaret, married to Robert Patton; Samuel William Ferguson Ralston, born 1814, married Jane Hackett of Chester Co., Pa. 1837, having a son Samuel who served three years in the 1st Penna. Cav. during the civil war. James, Martha, Margaret, and William, being the last surviving ones of the family which boasts of a long line of Ministers and Missionaries, both in this country and foreign fields of the Presbyterian churches. Attested by records on file at the Western Theological Seminary of Allegheny N. S. Pittsburgh. Pigeon creek records in 1794 show a congregation of 130 families with a membership of 140 persons.

Benjamin Hamilton Ferguson long one of the most prominent business men of Springfield, Ill. was for thirty-five years connected with the Marine bank and for many years its President. He was a life-long resident of Springfield, his birthplace and was active in public affairs. He was one of the most highly respected citizens and well known men of the city and his loss was genuinely mourned in many circles. Mr. Ferguson was born December 5, 1835 and was a son of Benjamin and Sarah Irwin Ferguson, both natives of Pennsylvania. The former being born in Monongahela, Pa. His father, Benjamin Ferguson was a contractor and builder and died in Springfield in 1842. He was a member of the Washington-ian Society, a temperance organization to which Abraham Lincoln also belonged and about the time of the death of Mr. Ferguson, Mr. Lincoln made an address on the subject of temperance in the Second Presbyterian Church of Springfield, the date of this being February 22, 1842. Mr. Ferguson married in Pennsylvania and came to Springfield in 1835 and his children were all born in this city. They were, William, who died in California, Elizabeth, who married Jacob Bunn of Springfield, and Robert who died in Springfield although his home was in Auburn Ill. Benjamin H. Ferguson received his early education in the schools of Springfield. Leaving school at the age of sixteen, he was clerk and then book-keeper in the store of Jacob Bunn. After his return from the war, he entered the Marine Bank, being cashier for many years and advancing to the office of President of that sound substancial, conservative institution, one of the oldest banks in the State. Mr. Ferguson carried out the established policies of the bank in every way and under his careful and able administration it prospered and maintained the position of trust and confidence it had held for so many years.

Mr. Ferguson was a staunch Republican all his life and active in the interests of the party. He was united in 1856 with the First Presbyterian Church of Springfield and his widow is also a member of that church. In August 1862, Mr. Ferguson Recruited Co. B., 11th Illinois Infantry and was elected its Captain and served as such for two years. He participated in the seige of Vicksburg, the battle of Jackson and in many lesser engagements. He was a member of the Grand Army of the Republic affiliated with Stephenson Post of Springfield. Besides being prominent as a banker, Mr. Ferguson was for many years a successful merchant having established a crockery and glassware store at the corner of Monroe and Sixth Streets in the city and did an immense business. He was one of the most honorable and up-right of men and possessed the full confidence of all who came in contact with him in a business or social way. He was interested in any movement of public benefit and promoted the welfare of the community in many ways. Mr. Ferguson was married at Springfiled on June 16, 1864 to Miss Alice, daughter of Judge B. S. Edwards, who was a prominent lawyer of Springfield and who served as Judge of the circuit court. No children were born to Mr. and Mrs. Ferguson. The widow now resides at the beautiful home at 815 N. Fifth Street.

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LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF WILLIAM FERGUSON, SOMERSET TOWNSHIP, WASHINGTON COUNTY, in the name of God Amen. I, William Ferguson, farmer being of sound mind and memory and calling to mind the mortality of body, do make and ordain this to be my last will and testament. It is my will and testament that my funeral and all past debts due by me at the time of my decease be discharged by my executors as soon as convenient out of my personal estate, and any debts that legally due me and if these shall be insufficient, balance shall be paid out of realestate held by me. It is also my desire that my realestate or that part left after the payment of just debts, as aforesaid, be equally divided between my two sons James and William, they to maintain their Mother in comfort during her life, also to pay the legacies herein specified vizit. to my two daughters, Sarah and Florence, one horse, saddle, and bridle each, also beds and other articles of furniture to make them equal with my other daughters now married, and, whereas, my sons Samuel, Robert, Matthew and Benjamin and daughters Rachel, Martha, Margaret, and Isabella I consider as having received their full share of my estate, yet it is my will if they so desire it that my executors pay to each and every son and daughter the sum of $5.00 and it is further being my will that if my two sons James and William can pay my debts and legacies above mentioned without selling my realestate, they shall do so, and divide same equally between them. If not my will is that the executors hereinafter named sell to best advantage all, or so much of my realestate as they may see proper and after debts and legacies aforesaid, proceed as before mentioned to be equally divided between sons James and William. Last, I do hereby constitute my sons James and William to be sole and only executors of this my last will and testament. Signed, Sealed and delivered in the presence of

Aron Kerr, David Kerr, and Richard McClosky, May 28, 1824
Registered August 31, 1833
John Greyson, Register of Wills Washington Co.

to register of Wills Washington Co., Pa.
having been appointed executor of my late Fathers will and for reasons known Nonresident, I hereby resign and request letters of Administration, will attached granted to my brother-in-law, Joseph Hamilton, August 31, 1833.
One executor being deceased and other resigned letters granted to Joseph Hamilton of Williamsport, David Kerr, William Ferguson, Bailee, John Greyson Register of wills.

We now come to where the Fergusons have stated their journey westward to Ohio, so before leaving the state of Pennsylvania, we have accounted for three generations.

First, William and his wife Mary. Coming from Ireland to Chester Co. Second, their children, Sarah married to James Simeral, born 1740, married November 18, 1762; John married 1753 to Mary Kinkead; Rachel married to John Graham. Third, in Franklin County, John Ferguson Sr., John Jr., James, Margaret, William, and William came on to Washington County, making the fourth generation that lived in the state of Penna. We come to the fifth generation, William and Sarah Liggets; children, namely, James, William, Samuel, Matthew, Robert, and Benjamin, and daughters Sarah, Florence, Rachel, Martha, Margaret, and Isabella. Being a young man of good qualifications it is small wonder that he fell in love and married Miss Margaret Carroll in 1793 at the old Hill Church, the wedding ceremony being performed by their life long friend and spirutual advisor, the Rev. John McMilland. We are indebted to Mr. Eugene Carroll of Mentor, Ohio for the little we know of the Carroll family in America.

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Margaret Carroll Ferguson who married William Ferguson about the year 1793 furnished by Mj. J. Carroll of Cleveland, Ohio and Mr. Eugene Carroll of Morristown, N. J. is as follows:

Daniel Carroll came to America from Northern Ireland in 1730. He first settled in Virginia. In the year 1732 he moved to Pennland on account of his Religious beliefs, he being of the Society of Friends or Quakers. Purchasing land off the proprietor near what is now Dover N. J. near Morristown, where his descendants still live on the old homestead. The old meeting house built in 1758, and in its churchyard Daniel and his wife are burried is still standing and preserved by the society of Friends of which Eugene Carroll is trustee. Whether they were married in America is not known as there is no record of this young family. Their children are Hercules, married Sarah Wheeller; Thomas, Elizabeth, Richey, John, Daniel, married Jane Clutter; James; Mary married Moses Kerr; Sarah married a Clawson. Of the above, Hercules 1735 had 16 children, one of whom was Hercules of Cincinnatti, a brother of our Margaret, and who married Mary Tate Jones. They had 12 children. Hercules, born in Washington Co., Pa. August 15, 1801, died in Cincinnatti, Ohio April 29, 1890. Thomas, no record of his birth; died July 22, 1825, his wife died March 22, 1824; they were burried at Willoughby, Ohio. They had children as follows:

Hannah, married Silas Young; Stephen married Catherine Adair; Hercules married Catherine West; Thomas married Hannah Kerr; John married Mary Wert; Daniel married Elizabeth Turnier; James married Hannah Wert; John no date of birth, died in 1830. His descendants still live on the old farm at Coal Center Pa. They had Children as follows:

Daniel, George, John Jr., Margaret, married Manassah Reeves. Mary married a Springer. Sally married Daniel Reeves. Rhoda married a Newkirk. Agnes married an Alman. Mary married Moses Kerr. She was born May 4, 1753, died July 29, 1832. Moses Kerr born April 29, 1863 died October 4, 1834. They had children. William married Anna Wood; Margaret married Robert Moody; Daniel married Catherine Case; Hannah married Thomas Carroll. Levi married Elma Lawrence; Mary married James Grey.

Mary and Moses Kerr are burried at Mentor, Ohio and many of their descendants still reside in that section of Ohio.

Sarah, no record of, except there are a number of these same Clawsons in New Jersey.

Daniel born 1745, died 1839. Had children. James married Elizabeth Baker. Wiliam married Sally McNutt. Margaret married Calvin Lawrence. Sarah married Benjamin Haddon. Samuel D. married Charlotta Carroll and 2nd Mary married a Carroll. John L. married Emily Dalrymple.

This family are the ones that live on the old homestead at Dover, New Jersey Thus, we have the early generations; first, Daniel and Margaret, second, Daniel and Margaret's children, and third, their children's children and, I might add that there are many of this family burried in the old Cemetry at Kirkland, Ohio.

WILLIAM FERGUSON AND MARGARET CARROLL

After their marriage in Washington County, Pa. the country seemed to be too thickly populated for a young couple, so their thoughts turned farther Westward and travelling by horse-back by way of Independance Pa. down Cross Creek to the Ohio River, coming to, and crossing the river at Mingo Bottoms, he arrived at Steubenville, then being only a fort and a few log cabins. Jefferson Co. being the first County, formed out of the Great Northwest Territory in 1802 was a county approximately 150 miles square, extending from a point on the Ohio River south of Wheeling, West Virginia, north to Akron, east to the Pennsylvania Line and southwest down the river to Wheeling, containing what is now Guernsy, Belmont, Tuscarawas, Stark, Summitt, Mahoning, Columbiana, Carroll, and the persent Jefferson County and in all this large County July 6, when the first Poll Tax was taken, it showed 1357 persons eligible for the tax which was as follows:

Free male, 25¢; horse, 20¢; cow 8¢; servants in bond 50¢; house and lots, 33¢ on the $100 value, and in 1803 wolf scalp bounty was 50¢ for cubs and $100 for those one year old, and in 1806 when the election for the first Governor was held only 822 votes were cast in the county.

Steubenville was the seat of the land office and encouraged by the fertile soil and the peacefulness of the few remaining Indians, William Ferguson returned to Pennsylvania to his young wife and small children and told them of the wonderful opportunities of the land beyond the river with the result that in 1803 William again returned to Ohio, but this time it was with all his earthly possessions loaded, no doubt, on wagons with the patient cow and other live stock following along behind.

They soon filed on a claim to a section of land 640 acres in Wayne township on the present U. S. Highway No 22, about five miles east of the village of Bloomfield, Ohio and here they spent the rest of their lives, William dying in 1868 at the ripe old age of 91. His wife preceded him to her celestial home by some few years and their graves are plainly marked and tenderly cared for in the Presbyterian church-yard at Bloomingdale. This old church, formed in 1824 has been a place of worship and spiritual guidance for succeeding generations of Fergusons for over 100 years and many of them and their connecting families sleep beneath the grassy sod of its cool cemetry awaiting that last great call of the reserection morn.

A few remarks by one who knew William as a boy would get his impressions. Mr. John A. Simeral as a boy of nine on one of his trips to the farm was shown a cane with an ivory handle to which was attached a knife similar to a dagger. This cane was given to William by his wife's brother Hercules and is in the possession of Carroll Ferguson today Mr. Simeral says.

I can plainly see him in the room leading to the back porch where he showed me a nail driven in the center of the porch set there by my father, who was a surveyor and so set that when the shadow of the porch column reached the nail, it was twelve o'clock noon. I, too, remember the historic Grandfather Clock now in the possession of Mrs. E. S. Cunningham as well as is the original Grant or deed signed by Thomas Jefferson and James Madison.

Mr. Simeral further says, using Uncle Sam's words, that his Father had a term of years to complete the proving of his claim and make final payment on it, or it would revert back to the Government. Near the end of the term all was provided for with the exception of $100, so Pap got on his horse and rode for a week to borrow that hundred dollars and finally induced John Cox, an old time merchant of Steubenville to loan him that amount, solemnly agreeing to repay in a specified time, but, as Uncle Sam said, Pap did not know where he would get the money as the majority of business transactions in those days were done by trading the products of the farm for labor and merchandise, always having in mind to save enough cash to pay the taxes. The one principal way of getting cash for the products of the farm was to raise corn and wheat and distill it into whiskey and

deliver it to River traders who would flatboat it with other products down the river to New Orleans and bring back the returns in cash. It often is several months before the cash was in hand from the sale of their farm products.

TO THE UNION OF WILLIAM FERGUSON AND MARGARET CARROLL TEN CHILDREN WERE BORN

1. Robert I, drowned at an early age in a spring at the old homestead.
2. Robert II, born 1800, married on January 11, 1827 to Elizabeth Porter by Thomas Hume, Pastor of Two Ridge Church. Robert died in 1868 at Sunbury, Delaware County, Ohio. Both he and his wife are buried there.
3. Mary, born June 6, 1803, died January 6, 1884. Married on January 1, 1822 to Archibald Simeral. Burial at Steubenville, Ohio.
4. Sarah, born 1805, died 1854. Married on January 27, 1824 to Archibald Leech. Burial at Bakersville, Ohio.
5. Elizabeth, born January 31, 1807, died February 14, 1892. Married William Moorehead about 1837. Both are buried at Keen, Ohio.
6. James, born 1809, died 1887. Married March 2, 1837 to Sarah Woods, born December 25, 1815, died 1900 with burial at Bloomfield, Ohio.
7. Bathia, born 1811, married William Shannon and both were buried at Seymour, Iowa.
8. Samuel, born 1815, died 1905. Married December 19, 1840 to Martha Boyd. This couple lived on the old homestead their entire life and are buried at Bloomfield, Ohio.
9. Margaret, born 1818, died 1871. Married Thomas Miller. Burial at Bloomfield, Ohio.
10. Rachel, born 1820, died 1893. Married David Dunlevy, June 19, 1840 by Rev. George Buchanan, Pastor of Two Ridge Church, as were Samuel and Martha Boyd.

Taking a leading part in the affairs of the community in which they lived, actively Pioneering in the organization of schools and church to fit the needs of their growing family, he yet found time to carry out the court needs of the community in which he lived, for William Ferguson was Justice of the Peace from 1818 to 1836 and on November 26, 1823 he united in marriage Charles Ferguson and Nancy Close. The log cabin in which they made their home was replaced in 1840 by a substantial brick home which is still standing and in a good state of preservation after near 100 years of service and until recent years in possession of Ferguson descendants.

Many stories of their benevolence are told, for instance, during a very cold winter, a poor woodcutter's wife was deserted by her worthless husband leaving them cold and in grave want. Their plight became known to William, so he took the team and sled and drove to the humble cabin, and, loading the entire family of the mother and ten children on the sled, he took them into his home and kept them the rest of the winter, making a family of twenty persons to feed and cloth no small task in itself.

THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF WILLIAM FERGUSON FOLLOWS:

I, William Ferguson, township of Wayne, County of Jefferson, State of Ohio, being of sound mind and considering the uncertainty of life, do make this my last Will and Testament, in manner and form following, VIZ. 1st, having thertofore on the 20th day of August 1845, taken an obligation from my son Samuel binding himself, his heirs, and executors, for the maintenance of myself and wife Margaret, during our natural lives. For certain conditions therein specified, it is my will that same be faithfully carried out in regards to my said wife in case she shall outlive me, also, I give and bequeath to my said wife for her dispolas all the beds, bedding, cupboard, and kitchen furniture belonging to me; 2nd, I give and bequeath to my son Samuel, all my personal property except what is above enumerated in addition to what he has already received heretofore and it is my will that the funeral expenses of myself and wife be paid by my son Samuel; 3rd, I give and bequeath to my two sons Robert and James, in addition to what they have heretofore received, the sum of Fifty cents each; 4th, all my realestate--northend. section 5, township 9, range 3, to be sold and the proceeds to be

to be equally divided into six equal shares, same to be given to my six daughters, which I give and bequeath to them their heirs, or assigns to wit: Mary, wife of Archibald Simeral; Sarah, wife of Archibald Leech; Elizabeth, wife of William Moorehead; Bathia, wife of William Shannon; Margaret, wife of Thomas Miller, and Rachel, wife of David Dunlevy, reserving the sum of $100 out of the sum total pervious to making said division, which said $100 shall be added to the share of Elizabeth Moorehead as an acknowledgement of services rendered after she became of age, and for their carrying into effect the foregoing Will and Testament. I hereby nominate and appoint my said daughters, Mary Simeral, Sarah Leech, Elizabeth Moorehead, Bathia Shannon, Margaret Miller, and Rachel Dunlevy, their legal Representatives or Attorneys to be the executors of this my last Will and Testament made by me in testimony. I, William Ferguson, the testator in the foregoing Will and Testament have hereunto set my hand and seal this ninth day of September in the year of our Lord, 1853.

William Ferguson----------(SEAL)

The foregoing was by William Ferguson signed and acknowledged to be his last will and Testament in the presence of us, Adam Reed, John Leech------Witness

Robert Martin, Probate Judge.

Robert, oldest son of William and Margaret Carroll Ferguson, born September 13, 1800. Married January 17, 1827 to Elizabeth Porter, born November 15, 1806, died 1866. Robert died in 1870. Children:

1. William , born August 5, 1832. Married Elizabeth Rosecrans, June 13, 1854. Children:
    1. Alvirado, born July 17, 1855, died November 29, 1930. Married _____ Children:
        1. Ora E., born May 27, 1881, died when she was young.
        2. Roland O., born August 16, 1887. Married June 1, 1918 to Pearl Ann Hume, born December 12, 1890. Children:
            1. Lester Hugh, born February 12, 1919.
            2. Janice Ruth, born July 7, 1921.
            3. Frances Carolyn, born February 10, 1923.
            4. Robert Edward, born July 12, 1924.
    2. Josephine , born October 30, 1856. Married Jacob H. Ayersman. Children:
        1. Claude, born June 20, 1880, died March __, 1902. Married Catherine Andrews. Children:
            1. Leona May
            2. Gladys
            3. Harold
            4. Paul
            5. Wilbur
            6. Robert
            7. Leon, born November 16, 1881. Married Jeesie Pryor November 20, 1908. Children:
            1. Mildred, born September 28, 1909. Married Charles A. Nichols, April 19, 1936.
            2. Marjorie, born January 10, 1912, married John Durmonde June 22, 1935. Children:
            1. Patricia Anne, born April 29, 1936.
            3. Helen, born February 20, 1914. Married Kirby H. Olds, August 17, 1935. One child, Helen I., born August 5, 1936.
            4. William Ferguson, born February 29, 1884. Married Pearl Curtis Pond, August 30, 1920.
            5. Alva Jay, born February 23, 1893. Married Bertha Roughcere August 23, 1918. Children:
                1. Alva Loyd, born April 30, 1919.
                2. Margaret Jane, born April 20, 1922.
    3. Zilpha Jane, born March 24, 1858. Married Alley Booth. Children:
        1. Harry, born 1886. Married _____. Children:
            1. Ivan, born December _____.
            2. Zylpha, married and has one child,_____
            3. Charles
            4. Gladys, married to _____.
            5.
        2. Elizabeth, born in 1890. Married Elmer Duncan. Children: There are five children.
        3. Robert, born June 1901. Married and has two sons.
    4. John Ferguson, born 1861. Married to _____.
    5. Edward Lincoln Ferguson, born 1863. Married Mary Elizabeth. Children:
        1. William Rex, born December _____. Married Gladys Whitley. One daughter, Willa Rexirie.
        2. Freu Dewey. Married Edith McMurray. They had five children.
        3. Gerald. Married Edith Wharten. Had two children, Jean Marie, and Max.
        4. Edith Marie, born November 18, 1901.

5. Edward Leroy, born_____.
6. Burton, born_____. Married_____.

6. Alanson K. Ferguson, born August 27, 1872. Married Grace Caldwell____.
Frances R., born May 29, 1897. Married Gladys Banks January 14, 1920. One son, David, born October 1922.
Helen, born January 19, 1900. Married Harrison Philips April 24, 1923. Children:
1. Patricia Grace, born February ___,1925.
2. Donald, born August 6, 1927.
Virginia Wholeston Ferguson, born April 2, 1912. Married James Collins August 21, 1935.
Paul Ferguson, born August 10, 1915.
Capt. James, born April 6, 1838, died February 15, 1863.
Mary Ann, born January 8, 1841. Married Porter, born July 4, 1844.
Almira, born March 10, 1846.
Winfield, born _____, 1848.
Heriza, born August 5, 1854.

Margaret Jane Ferguson, died July 9, 1911. Married Alanson Knox. Children:
1. Laura, born February 17, 1861. Married in 1885 to C.A. McAllister. Children:
1. Robert K., born November 10, 1885. Married Emogene Rood. Two children were born.
2. Mary M., born_____ __ _____, died February 7, 1935.
3. Elizabeth Jean, born_____. Married Williard Draudt Oct. 30, 1935. One son was born.
2. May, born March 7, 1867, died _____, 1886.
3. Jessie, born October 30, 1869.

Robert Charles Rood, born October 20, 1924.
Alanson McAllister, born December 6, 1888.
Jessie B. Knox married Alba Sheldon _____, 1898. One son Raymond Knox Sheldon, born May 18, 1902. He married in 1934 to _____. One child was born, Barbara Ann.
Mary Ann Ferguson married Harmon Finch. Children:
1. Harry M. Finch, born _____. Married Grace Speery. Died in 1935.
2. Gertrude Finch, born_____. Married C.A. Morrison. Children:
1. Doris, born _____. Married June 18, 1931 to Freeman Ross.
2. Charles
3. Donald
4. Loyd

Porter Ferguson married Sarah Slack. Two sons were born.
Almira Ferguson married Milton Heaslett.
Winfield Ferguson, born April 10, 1848, married Francis Potter. Two sons were born.
Lulu Mae Ferguson married Donald C. Lobdell. Two children:
1. Iva Bell, born September 15, 1911. Married December 21, 1935 to Edward Arp.
2. Ruby Mae, born May 31, 1920.

Clyde Lewis Ferguson, born November 1, 1873. Married September 16, 1922 to Clara Mae Cooper. Fought in the Spanish American War in Company H, 50th Ia. Infantry, and in the World War in Company F, 17th Eng.
Helen Jean, born February 11, 1924.
Montella Potter Ferguson, born June 3, 1878. Married June 3, 1902 to Daisy G. Currier. Children:
1. Ariel Pearl, born _____, 1924.
2. Harry Winfield, born _____, 1925

Iva Pearl Ferguson, born December 23, 1883, died November 10, 1890.

THE SIMERAL FERGUSON LINE

They can truthfully boast of a family friendshio and connections over a period of 215 years by reason of their coming to America together in 1720 and the Simeral line is as follows:

James Simeral and wife Jeanette Fleming had children as follows:

1. Alexander, married in Chester Co., 1737 to Jenette Lindsey.
2. David
3. Robert

Alexander had the following children:

1. John
2. James, married in 1762 to Mary Ferguson, daughter of William and Mary Ferguson in Chester Co., Pa.
3. Thomas
4. Alexander, married in 1782 to Martha McGrew. They had 11 children.
5. William
6. Mary

James Simeral and wife moved to Kearnstown, Virginia in 1785 along with the Grahams and Gilkinsons, while his father and the remainder of the Alexander Simeral's first family moved to Adams County, Penna. and the father, William, and Thomas to Westmoreland County, Penna. Rostaver township and bought lands and established the Simeral Ferry on the Yougheny river and that locality was known in history for many years by that name, being about 10 miles East of Parkinsons Ferry on the Monongahela River by way of the Forbes Trail. Simeral Ferry later became Robbstown and is the present city of West Newton, Penna. and the old stone house and mill is still standing today. Still later, John and Alexander also came to Simeral Ferry. Alexander II is buried at old Center Church, Wells township, Jefferson County, Ohio and a soldier in the Revolutionary War, being in the 5th Penna. Regt. and his tenth son, Archibald, born May 13, 1797, married January 1, 1822 to Mary Ferguson, born July 6, 1803, died January 6, 1884. Their children are as follows:

1. William Ferguson, born October 7, 1822, died April 23, 1901. Married December 30, 1847 to Nancy Davis, born April 19, 1826. The Children:
    1. Louella Mary, born September 24, 1848. Married March 14, 1873 to James McKeever. Children:
        1. William Ferguson
        2. Lida
        3. John
        4. Jane
        5. Lucy
        6. Helen
        7. Robert H.
    2. John Archibald, born April 1, 1851. Married November 11, 1873 to Annie Hull Shouse. Children:
        1. Cora
        2. Everett, born January 15, 1875. Died September 13, 1933. Married_____. Children:
            1. Elenor Shouse, born October 13, 1903, married_____.
            2. Martha Anna, born December 29, 1906.
    3. Robert Floyd, born May 7, 1879.
    4. Mary Ferguson, born September 9, 1886.
    5. Alexander Edie, born April 8, 1889, married March 8, 1916 to Susan E. Bohn. Children:
        1. Mary Louise, born January 19, 1918.
        2. John Edward, born January 7, 1921.
        3. Annie Shouse, born February 8, 1923
        4. Nancy Jane, born July 30, 1928.

John Boyd, born March 23, 1925, died November 17, 1888. Married Harriet Jones April 20, 1863.

Robert Carroll, born January 6, 1826, married Margaret J. Blackburn August 9, 1851.

Mary Jane, born August 6, 1830, died January 12, 1884. Married August 23, 1851 to W. S. Blackburn.

James Milton, born January 6, 1834, died April 1, 1916. Married September 28, 1865 to Nancy Gilkinson.

Margaret Carroll, born August 19, 1828, married Robert Day.

Martha Matilda, born January 1, 1843, died April 16, 1933. Married Hiram Cope.

John Allen, born November 11, 1890, married April 2, 1914 to Hazel Hallam. One child was born, John Robert, born February 3, 1918.

James Milton Simeral, born October 23, 1853, died in 1932. Married May 15, 1878 to Ida M. Turner. Children:

1. William Ferguson, married Ethel Myers. Children:
    1. Alice
    2. Frank, deceased.
    3. James Myron, married Helen Rolfe. One son, James Myron.
2. William Sherman Simeral, born April 7, 1856. Married August 27, 1877 to Ida S. Jones. Children:
    1. Harry Carroll
    2. Fred Leroy
    3. Chester Jones
3. George Ellsworth Simeral, born February 16, 1859, died September 15, 1932. Married January 7, 1883 to Ellen May Haus. Children:
    1. Marshall E.
    2. Irma
    3. Helen
4. Jessie Fremont Simeral, born August 18, 1862. Married November 27, 1895 to Edward Greasel. Children:
    1. Francis
    2. Wilhelm
    3. Johan
5. Eva Carter Simeral, born February 17, 1866, married John F. Lacroix.
6. James Milton Simeral, born January 6, 1834, died April 1, 1916. Married September 8, 1865 to Nancy Gilkinson, born September 6, 1838, died February 15, 1901. Children:
    1. Blanche, born March 31, 1868. Married June 19, 1889 to William C. Wolfe. Children:
        1. Emmitt
        2. Divin
    2. Thomas Milton, born September 6, 1896. Married October 10, 1923 to Edna Emily. He was a World War soldier. In the service of the United States Naval Reserves as Ensign.
    3. William Bingham Simeral, born July 24, 1872, married Jan. 27, 1904 to Elizabeth Gottshal. One daughter, Nancy Isabel born September 30, 1914. William died October 25, 1937.
    4. Nellie Grace Simeral, born May 9, 1877. Unmarried.
    5. James Blaine, born September 13, 1882, died in 1924. Married September 13, 1916 to Carmine Wallace. Children:
        1. Pauline, born_____
        2. Robert M., born_____
        3. Dean Wallace, born_____

LEECH FAMILY AND DESCENDANTS

The Leech family migrated to Pennsylvania from near Norristown, N. J. to Lancaster, thence to Cumberland County and on to the West. The family consisted of seven brothers:

James, a Captain in Westmoelend County Militia, and of the 8th Penna. Regiment. He died in 1803. Nearly all of his family were killed by Indians on February 27, 1779.

John, married Jane Critslow and lived in Cumberland County in 1752. John and his daughter were also killed by Indians February 27, 1779. He left the following children:

1. Archibald, born 1758, died in 1828. Married to a Hindman. No children. He was a member of the 7th Penna. Regiment and other military units to 1795.
2. David. No trace of him can be found.
3. John, who went with Samuel to Jefferson County, Ohio and later to Adams County, about 1820. Some descendants still live there.
4. James, born 1763, died 1839. Moved to Saltsburg, Pa. and some of his grandchildren still live there.
5. Robert, born 1769, died 1813 in Westmoreland County, Pa. Married Catherine Balfe.
6. Mary, born 1762, married James Critslow, her cousin and moved to Butler County, Pa. in 1797.
7. Anne, married a Steel and was widowed in 1818.

Samuel Sr., born 1736, died in 1820. Married Mary Frey in 1757. He is buried at Two Ridge Church.

Samuel Jr, born 1763, married Margaret Fulton 1770. He died March 9, 1863. He was buried in Two Ridge Church yard cemetry. Their children are:

1. John, born November 17, 1794. Married Elizabeth Snodgrass, January 9, 1827. Died February 7, 1844. Second marriage to to Nancy Jones Sept. 10, 1845.
2. Samuel, born August 19, 1801, married Ann Hayes, February 14, 1828. Died June 29, 1876
3. Archibald, born 1796 in Westmoreland County, Pa. Married Sarah Ferguson January 27, 1824. Died December 24, 1859, burial in Bakersville, Ohio. Children:
    1. Mary A., born November 27, 1832. Died December 23, 1909. Married September 2, 1856 to John A Walters, born December 22, 1825. One child, Sarah Margaret, born December 18, 1857, died_____. Married Walter Crowell, May 31, 1857, died February 25, 1927 Children:
        1. Paul, born September 15, 1885. Graduate of University of Chicago.
        2. Laura M., born December 14, 1887. Married June 27, 1911 to Archie S. Loomer, born December 26, 1884, graduate of University of Chicago. One son Donald M.
        3. Clarence Crowell, born May 20, 1890. Married May 21, 1911 to Lillian Anderson, born April 1, 1892. Children:
            1. Dorothy Ruth, born May 24, 1914
            2. Margaret Bernice, born November 8, 1917.
4. Jane, born January 22, 1804, died December 3, 1843. Burial at Two Ridge Church. Married_____
5. Mary, married William Hayes. Buried at Richmond, Ohio.
6. Elizabeth married Thomas McPherrin.
7. Isabel, born September 6, 1809 married John Snodgrass. Died January 13, 1887.
8. Margaret, born January 10, 1807, died February 17, 1844.
9. Nancy, born March 1813, died January 10, 1815.

Robert, born April 4, 1816, died February 18, 1896. Married Maryn Reed. Burial in Richmond, Ohio.

Jane Leech, sister of Samuel Jr. Married May 3, 1811 to Samuel Speck.

Mary, born 1799, died August 25, 1831. Married James Copeland Bur. Bloomfield, Ohio.

Isabel married John Copeland and has nine sons in, and about Cadiz, Ohio.

Samuel Leech and Sophia Mizer, John Leech and Laura Davis, Stacy Leech and Dille, Portz, Mary, Marjorie, and Stacy.

Samuel Leech married second Sarah Riggle.

Clarissa, born November 10, 1860. Married George Hercules Ferguson, born March 1, 1857, died July 21, 1929. Burial took place at New Philadelphia, Ohio. Children:

1. Clifford, born December 5, 1883. Married December 14, 1904 to Buena Vesta Zollars. Children:
    1. Wayne Z., born _____. Married Burrel Syler in 1928.
    2. Olive Elizabeth, born February 1908.
2. Emmitt, born February 17, 1885, died February 13, 1921.
3. Audrey Elizabeth, born January 14, 1899. Married April 1, 1918 to William Geis. One child, Marie Elizabeth, born February 2, 1914.
4. Nina, born June 23, 1891.
5. Carroll, born April 9, 1894, married October 26, ____ to Erma Teel. One child, Robert Milton, born May 14, 1921.

William Leech, brother of Clarissa, born June 25, 1862. Married Emma Shoemaker.

Sarah Elizabeth, born March 1, 1864, died May 30, 1935. Married T. R. Wilson.

Anna Belle, born July 6, 1865, married Bart Geese. One Child, Ethel, born _____

Samuel Leech, born February 24, 1824, married April 19, 1855 to Sophia Mizer. Died in 1905. Children:

1. Mary Amanda, born January 16, 1856, died August 4, 1856.
2. John, born May 16, 1857, married Laura Davis. Died January 7, 1910. Burial at Bakersville, Ohio. Children:
    1. Forest S., born September 8, 1885, died March 20, 1909.
    2. Iva, married Walter Garret.
    3. Stacy married Dille Portz. Children:
        1. Noèl
        2. Audrey
        3. John Woy

Samuel Leech and Sarah Riggle Children:

1. Robert Thomas, born June 27, 1868. Married in 1897 to Jessie Stephon. Children:
    1. Andrew, born November 8, 1900. Married March 13, 1919 to Bessie Shoemaker. Children:
        1. Roberta, born March 6, 1920.
        2. Marjory, born June 6, 1927. Died in 1931.
2. Samuel Ferguson, born March 16, 1871, married Ollie Johns. Children
    1. Corliss, born June 7, 1898.
    2. Eunice
    3. Charles.
3. William Leech married May 2, 1857 to Elizabeth Bargrerch.
4. Archibald married Wiltha Denzer. Children:
    1. Oneta, born May 10, 1887.
    2. Loren G., born November 9, 1891
    3. Ollie married _____. Children: Verne, married Charles Varhofer.
    4. Sarah married Henry Stephon. Children:
        1. Dent D. and (2) Grace. Married John Ott.

Allie Leech married Harry Lower. One child, Mary A. Lower was born June 23, 1898.

Mary Leech married John Walters. Burial at West Lafeyette, Ohio. One child Margaret was born _____.

Robert Leech, born in 1836, died in 1841.

John, born in 1839, ided in 1844 in Bur. Bakersville, Ohio.

Sarah Leech, born August 21, 1845, married in 1863 to William C. Hawk. Died in 1925. One child, Lauretta A. born to them. She married Jacob Bahmer. Their children are:

1. Oral
2. Jessie
3. Hertzig
4. Helen, married J. W. McReynolds.
5. Hattie, married Clifford Fenton. Children:
    1. Waldo, married August ___, 1933 to Cora Nothem.
    2. Paul
6. Emma, married Louis Wentz. Children:
    1. Louis
    2. Irene
    3. Junior
    4. Earl
    5. Margerie
7. Morris A., married Della Gibson. Children:
    1. Bessie
    2. Hazel
8. Harrison, married Katie Hoffman. Children:
    1. John
    2. Lester
    3. Dennis
9. Michael, married Erma Shoemaker. Children:
    1. Maxine
    2. Florence
    3. Audrey
    4. Wilma
    5. Hazel
10. Clark, married Edna Shoemaker. One child, Beula was born.
11. French, married_____. Children:
    1. Robert
    2. Ralph

Sarah C. Leech and William C. Hawk Children:

1. Margaret, married Henry C. Eberwine.
2. Mary, married Joseph Clark.
3. Carrie O., married Grant Norris.
4. Lillie, married John Maurer. Children:
    1. Gladys
5. Nora, married Edward Koos. Earl Koos, married Sarah Grau.

Lomon L. Leech married Pheobe Zingg.

Carl Leech, born December 25, 1911 married December 26 to Dorothy Norman.

Eugene, born in 1923.

We have now come to the Powell Leech Line by virtue of Francis Washington Powell marrying Margaret Leech, daughter of Archibald and Sarah Ferguson Leech.

Margaret Leech born June 9, 1826, died June 6, 1909. Married October 15 1852 to Francis W. Powell, born June 28, 1828, died February 11, 1899. Children:

1. Caroline
2. John F. Francis
3. Francis F.
4. Sarah Henrietta. Both are buried in Wesley Chapel cemetry on the old

Powell homestead two miles east of Fresno, Ohio.

John F. Powell, born March 13, 1856, married September 22, 1885 to Rebecca Sidel Williams. Children:

1. Helen Gertrude, married Clayton E. Emerson January 11, 1905. He was born September 8, 1886. Children:
    1. Edith Irene, married Leslie Berger June 13, 1931. She was born November 22, 1905.
    2. Gladys Margaret, born December 21, 1907 married Herbert Daniels. They had one child, Larry.
    3. Nellie Grace, born September 12, 1909, married July 11, 1927 to Foster Blind. Children:
        1. Donald Foster, born September 17, 1928.
        2. Marylyn, born May 7, 1930.
    4. John Francis, born June 17, 1911, married Mabel Kemp March 1, 1935. One child, Shirley Ann, born March 5, 1936.
    5. Clyde Powell, born June 22, 1913.
    6. Ruth Helen, born September 28, 1914, married September 19, 1931 to David Parkhill. One child, David K., born June 7, 1932.
    7. Dorothy, born October 8, 1915.
    8. Eugene Elmer, born October 2, 1916.
    9. Carol Evelyn, born February 27, 1925.
2. Anna Margaret, born November 28, 1888, married William Dunlevy November 29, 1920. One son, Lorin W., born September 9, 1921
3. John Francis, born November 16, 1891, married Helen Biggs Moore Sept. 3, 1933. Children:
    1. John Francis, born May 18, 1934.
    2. Rebecca Louise, born May 18, 1934.
4. Mary Louise, born June 11, 1894, married March 7, 1923 to Dan Letherman
5. Florence A., born August 5, 1898. Graduate of O.S.U. and connected with the Public schools of Middletown, Ohio.

Francis J. Powell, son of Francis W and Margaret Powell, born October 17, 1859, married January 6, 1892 to Harriett Russell. Children:

1. Russel Howell Powell. During the World War, he was first Lietenanat 46th Regiment Regular Army. Born Nov. 9, 1892, married Ada Snoots.
2. Eugene Francis, born May 7, 1895, married June 11, 1923 to Dorothy Canright. He is a graduate of Ohio Wesleyan and University of Michigan. Served in Company C. 308th Reg. Engineers in France during the World War. Children:
    Robert Eugene, born April 14, 1924.
    John Russel, born June 26, 1925.
    William Joyce, born January 11, 1927.
    Thomas Theodore, born November 26, 1928.
    Philip Edwin, born June 15, 1933.
    Eugene has been connected with the University of Neb. at Lincoln Nebraska since 1924.

    Russel Howell Powell, and Ada Snoots Powell were the parents of:
    1. Harriet Gordon, born April 9, 1922.
    2. James L., born October 12, 1925.

LEECH POWELL LINE OF DESCENT

Caroline L. Powell, daughter of Francis and Margaret Powell, born September 5, 1853, died February 21, 1933. Burial at Winfield Kansas. Caroline married September 23, 1875 to Thomas Melville Graham: Children:

1. Francis Asbury, born August 2, 1876, died May 21, 1877.
2. Carlos Edwin Graham, born April 2, 1878, married Salina Alice Brooks April 6, 1908. One daughter Pauline born_____.
3. Stacy Eugene Graham, born September 3, 1880, married September 5, 1905 to Jessie Philomena Severns. Children:
    1. Stanley, born November 7, 1914.
    2. Christina, born December 25, 1920.
    3. Margaret Alice, born February 14, 1899, married October 5, 1916 to Charles E. Kendall. Children:
        1. Caroline, born June 29, 1921.
        2. Margaret, born April 30, 1919.
        3. Joan, born December 6, 1926.
4. Arthur Washington, born October 19, 1886, married March 3, 1914 to Bernice Holt. One son, Eugene Holt Graham, born August 27, 1916.
5. Henrietta Grace, born December 27, 1893, married Carl Morrow. One daughter, Dorothy, born October 2, 1925.
6. Harold Alexander, born September 12, 1897, married August 22, 1918 to _____. Graduate of Kansas Agricultural College Topeka, Kans. Children:
    1. Harold Jr., born March 31, 1919.
    2. Hugh, born May 29, 1923.
    3. Patricia, born June 17, 1925.

Anna Pauline, daughter of Carlos and Salina Graham, born February 19, 1909 married August 25, 1930 to William Ward. The Graham line all reside in and about Winfield, Kansas. Sarah Henryetta Powell, daughter of Francis W. and Margaret Powell, born December 9, 1861, died November 27, 1914. The following was given as a tribute to the Leech-Powell Line by Mr. John F. Powell, Archibald Leech, and Sarah after their marriage in Jefferson County where part of their family was born, moved west to Coshocton, County and bought two sections of land one mile east of Bakersville, Ohio, where they built a hewed log house, which is still standing today, but unoccupied.

Archibald was a man of great value to his community helping to organize Adams township as well as the Methodist church there as well as filling various offices of the township. All their six children were active members of the Methodist church and were earnest consistent and loyal to their faith. The Powell line is as follows:

Francis W. Powell, son of Thomas and Henrietta Howell. Aunt of William Dean Howell, the noted writer and novelist, came to America in 1817 from Rodney Wales, Via London, the trip was made in seven weeks on a sailing vessel landing first in Baltimore Md. They settled first on a plantation at Warwick, Va., moved to Coshocton County in 1830, settling in White Eyes township where they built the Powell school and Wesley chapel on their farm giving their children a school and religious training that has been of great advantage to us in this life as well and for our Eternal welfare. How grateful we are for Christian parents who taught us to have an object in life and aim for that of a higher, happier one beyond the scenes of this Earthly Pilgrimage during the days of the Civil War Francis W. Powell was recruiting officer for his section of the County and their home was an important point on the Underground Railway by means of which many a poor slave was helped on his way to Canada and Freedom and in the old home today, may be seen several newspapers of Civil War date pasted on the stairway for wallpaper and still legible after these many years.

Allie Leech married Harry Lower. Children:
1. Mary A., born June 23, 1898. Married John Walters.

William Morehead, born October 10, 1800. He married Elizabeth Ferguson, born January 31, 1807. William Morehead Senior died August 4, 1875. Elizabeth Morehead died February 14, 1892. There is no date of their marriage. Their children are as follows:

1. Margaret, born December 26, 1839. She died November 27, 1864.
2. William born December 7, 1843, died December 1, 1864.
3. Charles, born May 7, 1845, died November 26, 1864.
4. George, born August 20, 1852, died November 27, 1864.

All died of Typhoid and Diptheria, inflicting a sad and serious loss to the parents.

5. Elizabeth, born September 22, 1841. She married October 1868 to Milton A. Lawrence. Their children are:

1. Ora Jane, born July 25, 1869, who died when she was not quite two.
2. Olive Euginia, born January 11, 1871. Married March 27, 1890 to Samuel J. Elliott. He died February 2, 1929.
3. Jesse William born August 25, 1877,deceased.

Olive married March 27, 1890 to Samuel J. Elliott. Their children are:

1. Helen Oneita Elliott
2. Russell Lawrence.

Helen married William A. Beall, September 3, 1913. Their children are:

1. Howard Samuel, born August 23, 1920
2. Olive Jane, born June 28, 1924.
3. Isla Isabelle, born December 5, 1917.
4. Evylyn Ruth, born November 25, 1920. She died in infancy.
5. Russel Elliott married August 1923 to Emma Katherine Whitteuore, who was born May 19, 1901. Children were:

1. Richard Halton, born August 10, 1924.
2. William Thomas born July 22, 1927.
3. John Fransis, born July 14, 1929.

Jesse William Lawrence, son of Milon Lawrence married Josephine Elder December 20, 1900. Their children were :

1. Myron, born September 17, 1904. He is married and has four children and lives in Detroit, Michigan
2. Wayne, born June 15, 1904. He was married last June.
3. Ruth Elizabeth, born October 23, 1911. She is not married and is living at home.

Thus we have four generations from the marriage of only surviving daughter Elizabeth, to Milon Lawrence, she being counted as the second generation, third generation their children, Ora Jane, Olive Eugenia, and Jesse William. Fourth generation, Helen O and Russel Lawrence Elliott. Fifth generation, Howard Samuel, Olive Jane, Isla Isabelle, and Evelyn Ruth Beall. Richard H., William, Thomas, and John Francis Whittemore. The third generation Wayne, Ruth E., Myron Lawrence. Fourth generation, Myron Lawrence's four children.

JAMES FERGUSON AND SARAH WOOD LINE

James Ferguson, born 1809, died 1886. Married 1837 to Sarah Woods, born December 25, 1812, died 1900. To them the following children were born:

1. John, born May 8, 1838, died December 5, 1862.
2. William, born July 18, 1840. Both of the sons were members of Company G. 43 O.V.I. during the civil war and gave their lives for the cause they thought right, being attached to General Sherman's army, serving under Captain McCook. They fell at Vicksburg, Miss. and the father later brought their bodies back to Bloomfield for burial and here a coincident takes place by reason Benjamin Hamilton Ferguson of Springfield, Ill. Being in the same Victorious Army on its march to the sea and taking part in the same battles, yet duobtlessly unknown to each other, they were cousins fighting together.
3. Robert, born January 6, 1845, died September 26, 1915. Married first Sallie Maxwell. Children:
    1. Howard Edwin, married to Sarah Potter.
    2. Maxine, born about 1912.

    Second marriage to Mary M. Ferguson, born December 5, 1848, died April 3, 1930. Children:
    1. Jimmie, born October 19, 1872, died November 8, 1874.
    2. Agatha Mae, born December 18, 1876. Married July 23, 1933 to Franklin Fisher. An infant son died at the age of three months. August
4. James Wood Ferguson, born July 6, 1849. Married January 10, 1883 to Frances A Warren. Children:
    1. Harry A., born September 30, 1883. Married Mary E. Martin, born January 7, 1885. Children:
        1. Lois E., born August 23, 1907. Married on June 18, 1930, to John W. Daudett, born March 31, 1908.

    Frank Hibbard, born November 30, 1879. Married Katie Myers. Children:
    1. Merlin James born March 14, 1914.
    2. Kathryn Lucille, born February 13, 1917.

    John William born September 10, 1880. Married Mary Epettys. Children:
    1. Vernon John, born January 26, 1914.
    2. Lela Mae, born January 30, 1917.

Mabel Ferguson, born February 16, 1885. Married June 22, 1910 to Francis A. Boyd, born 1884.

6. Harriet E. Ferguson, born October 6, 1886.

    Howard A. Ferguson, born April 26, 1913.
    Frances Martin Ferguson, born November 9, 1915.
    Paul, born April 18, 1931.
    John William, born July 13, 1934.

SHANNON FERGUSON LINE

To the union of William Shannon and Bathia Ferguson the following children were born:

1. Isaac, killed in the Civil War. Married, left a son and daughter, William and Mary. WilliamJ. married Ethelyn Marland. Mary, married Peter Smith, died in 1925, Mary E. Smith died November 21, 1933. Two children:
    1. Sadie, died in 1932.
    2. Peter
2. Ferguson Shannon, born May 13, 1836, died November 3, 1929. Married March 24, 1859 to Marie Shanks, born January 30, 1834, died June 6, 1919 Burial at Katy, Texas. Children, four sons and four daughters and the following very beautiful tribute was paid this couple at the end of lifes journey by their pastor, Rev. A. G. Hall:

"Brother Shannon's life was beautiful because of his faith in God, having become a member of the Presbyterian church in early boyhood. He, with his growing family lived in Ohio until 1880, at which time they moved to Iowa, later in 1913, he, with his wife moved to Katy, Texas, where they both lived until they were called to their Heavenly home. This fine old couple lived together for over 60 years. They were both faithful. Their influence was wholesome, and they were much loved by a large circle of friends. His last hours were peaceful he wanted to go. His was a great victory. Sister Shannon was called from her earthly abode to her Heavenly home after an illness of one week,in early she became a Christian and through the years that followed, grew in grace in the knowledge of truth. One of the most faithful of our community has gone but we do not greive as do those who have no hope. She never spoke of any one but in kindness. All who knew her loved her, and she will be missed greatly in the home church and community. She was a bookkeeping Tither, and after her departure it was found her purse had two compartments, one for the Lords money and one for her own. They have but their influence for good will continue forever."

William Ferguson, born May 8, 1860, died July 26, 1926, left widow and three children, Charles, Helen, and William.

Emma Bathia Shannon Green, born September 10, 1864, died December 7, 1905. Children:

1. Rupert
2. Reta, married Milton Brown. One child, Ruth was born. She married and had two children.
3. Ruth, married and has two children.

James Franklin Shannon, born August 6, 1866. Has one son, Warren.

Matilda Jane Shannon, born June 16, 1869, died January 20, 1920. Married to F. M. Warden. One son, Shannon Warden was born.

John Calvin Shannon, born September 23, 1871.

Samuel Edgar Shannon, born July 30, 1874.

Mary Olive Shannon, born August 26, 1877. Married Frank Wilkinson.

Alice C. Shannon, born December 24, 1861, married June 19, 1887 to Will E. Sanger. Children:

1. Alma Chata
2. Thora Olive
3. Emmabelle Sanger, married a Stafford. Four daughters were born:
    1. Dorothy Mae
    2. Doris Fay
    3. Genevieve
    4. Alice Jeanette
4. Ethel Vivian Sanger.

The Rev. Charles Shannon Sanger, served as private 20th machine gun Bat, made 2nd Lieut. Graduate of Auburn N. Y. theological Seminary.

William Stanley Sanger, one son William Stanley Jr.

Alice Fay Sanger Duff, one son, Robert.
Lawrence Miles Sanger, died October 31, 1900 aged 2½ years.
The Sanger family is of an old Puritan Stock dating back to 1638 in this country, one of the ancestors being killed in the French and Indian War in 1755 and three served in the Revolutionary War.

SHANNON FERGUSON LINE

THOMAS SHANNON, born in 1843, died in 1935. Married Elenor Jane Buck in June 27, 1866. Children:

1. Bathia Margaret, born August 7, 1867, married March 4, 1891 to Peter Knudson. Children: Bathia died March 23, 1835.
    1. Ellen Marie, married to _____ and has three sons. Harold, Lester, and Leonard.
    2. Charles Clifford, Married to _____.
2. Lulu Jane, born March 5, 1871, died May 6, 1890. Married May 1, 1890 to Charles Burt. Died on her honeymoon, asphyxiated by gas in the Hotel room.
3. Martha Estelle, born March 5, 1871, married October __, 1898 to J. Fred Patterson. Children:
    1. Merlie Lee
    2. Daisy Dell
    3. Dwight Frederic
    4. Chester
    5. Marcia May, married to Emil Gregoire.
4. Thomas Shannon, born December 11, 1872, married February __, 1899 to Jessie Jacquot. Children:
    1. William, married.
    2. Thomas, married.
5. Velota May, born November 29, 1876, married March 29, 1906 to James I. Kinkead. One son, Lawrence James was born. He is married.
6. Etta Roena, born December 4, 1878, married Charles Arch Monroe. One son, Floyd Shannon Monroe; Garduate of _____ College.
7. Chalmer, born May 31, 1882, married Nellie V. Monroe. One daughter, Mary Jane.

Thomas Shannon was a private under Carter B. Harrison's Company C. 51st Regt O.V.I. He enlisted August 24, 1861 and was given an honorable discharge at Chattanoga, Tenn. in 1865, being twice wounded and was the only survivor of the Grand Army of the 60's. He was in Logan County, Colorado at the time of his death. After 18 years of married life in Ohio the family and children moved westward to Seymour, Iowa. At the end of three years, the Irish wanderlust on hearing flattering reports of an easy way to secure a home, started for Colorado, arriving at Sterling in 1896 and filed on a homestead seventeen miles north of Sterling in what was known as "Prairie Dale settlement", and building a sod house forty feet long, fourteen feet wide, with the earth as a floor, he returned for his family in February 1887. The family started west in two covered wagons, one driven by Robert Thomas, the other by Jim Shannon, son of Ferguson Shannon.

I can well look back and see in the dim distance that slow moving transport. The wagons, once white, but now dingy covers, the patient and worn out horses measuring their weary steps, the men travel-stained and bronzed by exposure, Mother with mingled hope and care depicted on her weary face, the children peering from their uneasy abode and wondering if the end of all was near. Moons wax and wane again and again, day after day the tiresome march is resumed, bottom less roads are encountered, rugged ascents and deep declivities are encountered; teams give out, wagons break down, blizzards overtake and finally living on coffee, crakers, and canned tomatoes, walking and riding through sand blizzards field and wagon trail, after winter had broken into the green of spring 1887, Prairie Dale! The end of the trail was reached.

Before the first meal could be cooked in our new home, the three younger children were sent out to gather fuel, cow chips, which later gathered by hundreds of tons proved to be the fuel salvation of the early settlers, without which all would have frozen. One of the first things father did was to take his plow and plow a furrow five miles long from our sod home to the little 10 by 12

sod school on a ranch of the late W. S. Hadfield, the first white man to settle in Logan County. After a couple of years in our sod abode, father preempted a claim at the seven mile water hole and built a nice frame house. Here we walked three miles to a fine large sod school called Prairie Dale. Our haven of opportunities no better school or sunday school was ever attended.

By milking a few cows, hauling soft butter to Illiff, herding sheep, taking care of cattle on the shares, father and older brother working on the railfoad at $1.25 a day, shucking corn in Nebraska, and working in mines of the Rockies, we existed. Beef, mutton and jackrabbit were plentiful and for fruit, wild currents and choke cherries were plentiful. They most plentiful in Lewis Canyon and the entire family would go there in the fall, spend two or three days on an outing and gather all they could.

Three day winds and blizzards were common. One blew the porch off our home as well as blowing our chickens over the Prairie and unfeathered them. During one of these, we remained in bed, our outer covering off. The snow sifted in through the small cracks and in order to get some fuel piled in the yard, a rod or so away, we tied a rope around brother Thomas's waist that he might be sent out in the blinding storm for the precious fuel. After three days mostly spent in bed, to keep from freezing, we dug ourselves out with shovels.

The family moved to Sterling in 1892 when board sid-walks, kereosene lights, hitching racks and cowboys were familiar sights. Mattie and Etta both received high school educations and taught for several years. Mattie's first school was at Willard. She walked carrying a telescope, an early type of suit case from our home to Sterling some seventeen miles in order to get to Willard to her school.

Etta's first school was several miles north of Proctor, where she walked three miles across the Prairie, started her own fires, carried coal and kindling and at night slept in the same room with the family with which she boarded and her salary at the time was $35 a month. The younger children attended the Sterling schools,taught in the schools, worshipped in the three Presbyterian churches. Mother especially, God bless her Soul, being one of the most faithful and devoted members of that faith, contributed by Mrs. Etta Shannon Monroe, resident of Colorado for 48 years.

Samuel Shannon was killed in the Civil at Altoona, Georgia.

John Shannon, youngest son of William and Bathia Ferguson Shannon. Born May 28, 1850, died April 7, 1924. Married Selinda Shaffer. Died June 21, 1919. Born August 2, 1843. Children:

1. Samuel H., born September 15, 1872, married Maggie Cooley. Three daughters. Two are married.
2. Bathia, born January 5, 1874, married Otto Thomas. One daughter Narene Married to F. E. Foster.
3. Joseph William, born August 19, 1875, married Lea Westhouse. Has one son William I. who is married and has a daughter of six.
4. Susie Shannon, born January 5, 1881, married in 1900 to Hugh Eckles. One daughter, Florice, born in 1902. She is married to Leslie Shepherd Has two sons, Richard E., born July 31, 1931 and James Elmo, born Oct. 20, 1934. Florice is a graduate of Drake University, Desmoines Iowa.
5. Joseph W. Shannon served in the Spanish American War, Co. K, 51st Iowa Vol. 18 months attached as orderly to General Hale's staff, having two very close calls for his life:in one battle his horse was killed under and in another, his hat was shot off his head. Hugh Eckles also served in the same Iowa regiment.

In summing up the Shannon line, I find four sons served their country's army in the Civil War and two gave their lives in it. Also there were two daughters who died in infancy and no dates of birth or death are available.

SAMUEL FERGUSON AND MARTHA BOYD LINE

Samuel Ferguson, born August 6, 1815, died February 19, 1905. Married Dec. 19, 1840 to Martha Boyd by Rev. George Buchanan, pastor of Two Ridge Church. Martha was born March 15, 1824, died May 5, 1892. Children:

1. Margaret Bathia, born January 31, 1842, died May 8, 1924. Married Oct. 24, 1861 to Alexander S. Welday. Children:
    1. John Albert, born August 6, 1862, married Elizabeth Wright. Children:
        1. Elsie
        2. Charles
    2. Mary Alena, born September 1865, married W. Adrian. One son Welday, married Katherine Kaufman. One daughter Carrie.
    3. Martha L., born August 6, 1868, died November 24, 1892. Married C. L. Adrian. One son Oscar, married Olive McAfee. Children:
        1. Martha
        2. Welday
    4. Samuel Ferguson, born July 15, 1871, died November 26, 1892.
    5. Malinda, born October 15, 1877, married David Graham. One daughter Florence.
2. Robert John, born July 28, 1845, died April 9, 1921. Married July 1871 to Matilda Holmes, born October 31, 1846, died January 22, 1881. Children:
    1. Nancy, born November 12, 1872, died July 22, 1911. Married September 22, 1897 to L. F. Beltz. One son, Harry, born April 16, 1898. Married September 1930 to Nellie Kinsey.
    2. Margaret, born May 14, 1874, married April 9, 1903 to E. S. Cunningham. Two Children:
        1. Walter, born January 22, 1904, married Helen Reeves.
        2. Frances, born November 23, 1907.
    3. Dora, born December 8, 1876, married February 20, 1901 to Wm. Gault. Children:
        1. Robert, born January 15, 1903, died January 21, 1904.
        2. Eunice, born April 26, 1906, married August 28, 1927 to Francis P. Poe. One child, Mary E.
    4. Samuel H., born September 20, 1878, married 1909 to Eva Stone. He died March 22, 1917. One Daughter, Mary Elaine, born March 23, 1914.
    5. John W., born 1880, died 1883.
3. William Boyd Ferguson, born September 4, 1847, died in 1937. Married Ida Cherryholmes. Children:
    1. Albert Harper, born December 22, 1880, married May 28, 1913 to Flora Boetner. Seven children, five sons and two daughters.
    2. Ethel Anne, born February 21, 1883, married September 13, _____ to Ervin Casteel. One child. Died in infancy.
    3. Boyd Swan, born January 29, 1890, married October 16, 1915 to Ella Raecke, who died December 23, 1918. Two daughters. Second marriage to Pearl Wate. One son was born.
    4. Bessie Mae, born January 4, 1894, married October 20, 1915 to Lawrence Bice. Two sons.
    5. Leona Florence, born March 29, 1896, married September 3, 1921 to Glen Price. One daughter.
    6. Mary Viola, born August 3, 1899, married June 7, 1922 to Harold Myers. Two sons were born.
    7. James Madison
4. James Madison Ferguson, born October 22, 1849, married Nancy Bowers.
5. Sarah Elizabeth Ferguson, born June 11, 1852, died in 1930. Married George Fisher.

Samuel Thomas, born October 22, 1864, died at an early age.
George Hercules, born March 1, 1857, died July 21, 1929. Children:
1. Clifford married Buena V. Zollars. Child Wayne married Burrel Syler. One daughter.
2. Olive E. Emmitt, born 1885, died in 1921.
3. Audrey E. married William Geis. One child Marie.
4. Nina, born June 23, 1891.
5. Carroll, born in 1894, married Erma Teel. One son Robert M.

6. Albert A. Ferguson, born September 26, 1859, married Anna Martin. He died in 1937. Two daughters, Edna and Mabel.
7. Elmer Ellsworth Ferguson, born July 5, 1862, married Jesse Chalfant.

MILLER FERGUSON LINE

Margaret Ferguson, born June 4, 1818, married Thomas Miller November 24, 1836 by Rev. George Buchanan Pastor of Two Ridge Church. Margaret died on August 23, 1870. Thomas Miller died July 25, 1841. Two sons were born.

1. William F. born November 18, 1837.
2. David E. born December 13, 1839.

Both boys were Civil War Veterans. William F., Company A. 129 Regular Illinois Infantry; David E. Company E. 52nd O.V.I.

William F. Miller married February 6, 1866 to Caroline Deter, born September 10, 1840. Died August 24, 1921. William died September 3, 1916. Children are:

1. Rosella M., born October 11, 1867.
2. Bertha A., born July 10, 1869.
3. Samuel E., born March 5, 1872.
4. George D., born April 9, 1874, died April 9, 1892.
5. Laura E., born January 16, 1876

Rosella Miller married March 22, 1887 to George Ives. Children are:

1. L. Dale, born January 24, 1895. Married February 6, 1916 to Martin A. Adler. Children:
   1. George M., born January 13, 1917.
   2. Edward E., born Februry 24, 1920.
   3. Florence L., born October 8, 1918.
2. Hazel F. Ives, born February 23, 1901, married William Rudd September 26, 1921. One son, William M. was born June 9, 1923.
3. Roy E. Ives, born September 28, 1902, died October 8, 1902.

Bertha A. Miller married Frank D. Landon October 1, 1891. Samuel E. Miller married September 25, 1912 to Janett Mansfield. One son, William M. born July 6, 1913. Laura Miller married Robert H. Graham October 8, 1905. Children:

1. Addie E. born January 22, 1907. Married Miles R. Watt. Children:
   1. Roberta O.
   2. Arthur D.
2. Helen E.
3. J. Theodore married Gladys Sanders, January 17, 1922. Children:
   1. Keith E. born 1923.
   2. William M.
   3. Lois A.

David Miller married January 23, 1873 to Susanna M. Hervey. Children:

1. Margaret E., born December 29, 1873. Married January 24, 1897 to Ross W. Owens. They had two children.
2. Velma Grace, born October 8, 1897. Married Cameron Trimmer June 10, 1916. Children:
   1. Doyle Kenneth, born May 28, 1917.
   2. Doris Eloise, born September 15, 1921.
3. Nora A. Miller, born January 6, 1878. Married June 5, 1912 to Lewis M. Carmen Children:
   1. Infant son born March 5, 1914, died March 7, 1914.
   2. Audrey Mae born May 13, 1915.
   3. Howard Dean, born February 12, 1920.
4. William T. Miller, born May 18, 1884. Married September 4, 1918 to Lois E. Peoples. Children:
   1. Florence Marie, born September 6, 1919.
   2. William Glenn, born August 1, 1927.
5. John C. Miller, born June 9, 1890. Married September 24, 1912 to Bertha M. Mills. Children:
   1. Vera Virginia, born May 12, 1915.
   2. Mary Ruth, born November 30, 1917.

RACHEL FERGUSON AND DAVID DUNLEVY LINE

Rachel Ferguson, born 1820, died 1893. Married June 19, 1840 to David Dunlevy by Reverend Snodgrass, pastor of Two Ridge Church. Children:

1. William, born 1842, died _____. Married 1870 to Mary Ann March. Two Sons:
    1. Vannie, born September 20, 1873, died November 29, 1917. Married Lena Verling. No children.
    2. David, born 1877, died October 18, 1895.
2. Andrew Wilson, born February 24, 1843, died 1928. Married first Violet Hervey. One daughter, Zula, married William Adams. Second marriage to Lavina West, two sons, William and Clarence. William, born 1885, married first Edna Bales. Two daughters:
    1. Leone--she and her mother both died of the Flu, and are buried in the same grave together at W. Lafeyette, Ohio.
    2. Gladys, married in 1934 to Charles Lightell. Born June 14, 1913

    Clarence married Iva Bowen. Children: Clarence, born Feb. 16, 1889.
    1. John, married Pearl Knauf. One child born March 1, 1936.
    2. Leo, born July 9, 1916
    3. Robert, born August 27, 1923.

    William's second marriage to Anna Powell. One child, Loren, born _____.
3. Margaret Jane Dunlevy, born 1846, died in 1922. Married Robert Elliott, died in 1934. Children:
    1. David, born September 22, 1881, married Amelia J. Sigman. Children:
        1. Vianna, born May 27, 1907, married Tom Killain. One child, Donald David, born September 2, 1931
        2. Emery Anson, born August 20, 1909.
        3. Antha O, born November 5, 1921.
        4. Martin E. born October ___, 1925.
    2. Ling, born in 1883, died June 27, 1934. Married Mallie_____, born 1880, died 1924. Children:
        1. Henry, born in 1908, Married_____.
        2. Nellie, born in 1909.
        3. Ella, born in 1911, Married _____.
        4. Alva, born 1913.
        5. Lee, born in 1915.
        6. Lena, born in 1916, married _____.
        7. Earl, born in 1919, died in infancy.
        8. Arline, born 1922.
    3. Benjamin, born _____, died in 1919.
4. Lydia Priscilla, born in 1848, married in 1882 to George S. Smith. Children:
    1. Edward Vernin, born December 14, 1886, married in 1918 to Minnie L. Stanton.
    2. Silas Anderson, born in 1891, married May Workman. One son Orrville A.
    3. Nellie, born in 1893, deceased.
    4. Minnie, born in 1895, married Anthony Quaily.
    5. Myrtle Elizabeth, born in 1897, died in 1901.

Arline Elliott, born in 1922.
John D. born December 30, 1912.
Leo born July 9, 1916.
C. E. Fenton, died May 1936.

DUNLEVY LINE

First Generation:- Anothony Dunlevy living in Sligo, Ireland in 1652.
Francis Dunlevy
John Dunlevy
James Dunlevy

Second Generation:- Andrew Dunlevy , married Mary Barton. Mary Barton Dunlevy, widow of Andrew Dunlevy came to America with seven children in about 1771 and settled in Pennsylvania in what afterwards became Fayett Co. Andrew had been a captain in the British Army and his widow enjoyed a patrimony and pension. Andrew Dunlevy changed the spelling to Dunlavy, while the others retained Dunlevy.

Third Generation:- Andrew Dunlavy came from Ireland as a boy. He lived and died near Bloomfield, Ohio. He married Jane Gillilin. Ten children were born to them.

Fourth Generation:- David Dunlavy married Rachel Ferguson. Four children were born to them. They lived and died near Bloomfield, Ohio.

Fifth Generation:- Priscil Dunlavy married George Smith.

Sixth Generation:- E. V. Smith, born near Bloomingdale. Living in Imperial, Pa.

FERGUSON MAILING LIST

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Mrs Margaret Cunningham	1308 Penna. Ave.	Steubenville	Ohio
Miss Olive Cline		Marshallville	Ohio
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John Daudit		Midway	Pa.
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C. W. Dunlevy		W. Lafeyette	Ohio
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C. E. Emerson		W. Lafeyette	Ohio
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C. E. Fenton		New Philadelphia	Ohio
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Stacy E. Graham		Winfield	Kans.
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In making a brief resume of the Ferguson and Allied families these facts follow: Our William the first, coming to America and settling on the land, it is but natural that a large number of his offspring are successful farmers and stockmen today. Very religious, taking an active part in the earliest organizing of the Presbyterian church in Eastern Pa. and continuing Westward to the Pacific with the march of progress. Their religion has been mainly of that Faith, but all creeds are represented due in many instances to there being no church of that faith in their community.

In charity and benevolence they rank high, doing their giving quietly and withoug offence, preferring "by their deed ye shall know them." In education above the average, as there were none but what received at least a common school education of their times and as High Schools came the majority all completed their training. There have many made teaching their Profession and in imparting their knowledge to others are contributing to their country's welfare in that way while others occupy position of trust in the highest colleges and universities of our land in both an educational and religious;others have organized and managed large business enterprises successfully, while still others have been connected with large banks their entire lifetime. Several doctors, nurses, and dentists are in the various lines as well as undertakers, thus, providing for the body in life and death and Ministers of the Gospel and Missionaries in foreign fields are numbered with us; while practically all trades and occupations are represented, many of which call for the greatest of skill.

Patriotism has always been a high factor in the lives of our family as members have served in all our country's wars for the cause they believed right, while some made the great Sacrifice on the field of battle, shedding their lifeblood that future generations to follow might have a better and more prosperous country to live in.

Several of our women besides raising large families have found time to be active state and national officers of various patriotic societies and our sincere Praises go to our Mothers who by their Love, Patience and Understanding of our childish problems have made us all better citizens of this OUR COUNTRY.

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